

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : James R. Oliff, et al.
Serial Number : 10/716,642
Filed : November 19, 2003
For : DISPENSING FEATURE WITH BUILT-IN
COMBINATION RETENTION AND AD PANEL
Art Unit : 3781
Examiner : Tri M. Mai
Attorney's Docket : D-3082

Hon. Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This is a response to the Final Action mailed January 19, 2007, the term for a response to which has been extended one month to Monday, May 21, 2007, by a Petition for Extension of Time submitted concurrently herewith. However, the Examiner's attention is invited to the telephone interview on April 18, 2007, in which the relevance of Sutherland (US 5,297,725), one of the cited references, was briefly discussed. Applicants' position was that Sutherland fails to disclose a pivotable coupon. The Examiner mentioned that he would review Sutherland again and inform the undersigned of his second view, which however is yet pending as of the present day.

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